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In re Application of:
Losee et al.
Application No. 09/660,105
Filed: September 12, 2000
For: **METHOD FOR REDUCING DARK
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DECISION ON PETITION
TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is a decision on the petition to make special, filed March 25, 2003, under MPEP 708.01 (I), delay in prosecution.

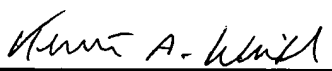
For a petition to make special under MPEP § 708.01, (I), the application must be pending for more than five years, including those, which, by relation to a prior United States application, have an effective pendency of more than five years. See MPEP § 707.02.

The application has been pending for less than five years, "*over 2-1/2 years old*" according to the Applicant. Applicant may consider requesting special status under MPEP § 708.02, VIII.

Accordingly, the petition is **DENIED**.

Petitioner is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this decision to request reconsideration and supplement the original petition as appropriate.

The application file will be returned to the Technology Center's central files storage area to await action in its regular turn.


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